

Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

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THIS Review, which was intended to meet the wants of many students of Chinese caused by the discontinuance of "Notes and Queries on China and Japan," has reached its fourteenth volume. The Review discusses those topics which are of importance in the minds of students of the Far East, and which are of interest to the general public. It includes many interesting notes and original papers on the Arts, Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Natural History, Antiquities, and Social Manners and Customs, etc., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, and the Far East generally. Recently a new departure has been taken, and the Review now gives papers on Trade, Commerce, and Descriptive notes of Travel by well-known writers. It was thought that by extending the scope of the Review in this direction, the Magazine would be made more generally useful.

The Review department receives special attention, and endeavours are made to present a careful and concise record of literature on China etc., and to give critiques embodying sketches of the most recent works on such topics. Authors and Publishers are requested to forward works to "Editor, China Review, care of China Mail Office."

The Notes and Queries are still continued, and form an important means of obtaining from and diffusing among students knowledge on obscure points.

The Correspondence column also affords further and greater facilities for the interchange of views and discussion of various topics.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, or any of the Modern Languages are received. The papers are contributed by the members of the various Consular, Imperial Customs, and Hongkong Services, and also by the Missionary bodies among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is assiduously cultivated. Amongst the regular contributors are Drs. Chambers, Eitel, Bretschneider, and Herr, Professor Legge, and Messrs. Balfour, Walters, Scott, Phillips, MacIntyre, Grant, Jamieson, Faber, Kitchin, Parker, Playfair, Giles, Phipps, and Taylor, all well-known names indicative of sound scholarship and thorough mastery of their subject.

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"The November-December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the few articles are very interesting. The opening paper by Mr. Herbert A. Giles on 'The New Testament in Chinese' treats of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries."—Mr. E. H. Parker's "Short Journeys in Szechuan" are continued, and a goodly instalment of these travels in the interior of China is given.

Mr. E. H. Balfour contributes a paper of some length entitled "The Emperor Cheng, founder of the Chinese Empire," which will be read with genuine interest by students of Chinese history. A few short notices of New Books and a number of Notes and Queries, one of which "On Chinese Oaths in Western Borneo and Java" might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, complete the number."—H.K. Daily Press.

Trübner's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the China Review:—"The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, some what similar to that which has been filled in India by the Calcutta Review. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are so generally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors."

Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-po, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that 'Notes and Queries' are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in this field, and that the China Review may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance.

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and girth combined. A receipt is given for
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each Post Office. No parcel can be accept-
ed till this is completely and accurately
filled. The only articles ordinarily sent
from China which are liable to duty are
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address as that of the Parcel itself, or an-
other Parcel to the same address. No
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When correspondence has been misdirected
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need do is to note on the cover, Sent to
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or other writing whatever, to the Postmaster
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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven sections, commencing at

Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the

Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Fiddler's Wharf.
6. From Fiddler's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellett's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Agent.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Abordelle	5	c Murray	Brit. str.	1878	May 12	Order		
Achilles	5	c Anderson	Brit. str.	1698	May 11	Butterfield & Swire	London, &c.	To-day
Ashington	5	c Reynell	Brit. str.	800	April 20	Stimson & Co.	Bangkok	To-day
Austin Friars	5	c Crocker	Brit. str.	537	May 8	Borneo Co., Limited		
Biagno	5	c Tognasso	Italian str.	1496	May 9	Carlowitz & Co.		
Borneo	5	c Wilkens	Dutch str.	1434	May 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
China	5	c Uderup	Ger. str.	648	April 13	Melchers & Co.		
China	5	c Hays	Ger. str.	1691	May 14	Wielers & Co.		
Chingfu	5	c Arthur	Brit. str.	1450	April 25	Butterfield & Swire		
City of Rio de Janeiro	5	c Samsbury	Amer. str.	3584	May 11	M. S. S. Co.		
Costroma	5	c Ivanovsky	Russ. str.	2250	May 11	Melchers & Co.		
Dafila	5	c Nielson	Brit. str.	535	May 13	Ean Ho Hong		
Drachenfels	5	c Tareo	Ger. str.	1552	May 8	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Fushun	5	c Crood	Chi. str.	1504	May 15	C. M. S. N. Co.		
General Wordier	5	c Schuckmann	Ger. str.	1-20	May 12	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Haiphong	5	c Harris	Brit. str.	1132	May 12	Douglas Steamship Co.		
J. B. Lay	5	c Guquet	French str.	197	May 15	Chinese		
Kildare	5	c Johnson	Brit. str.	2277	May 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Kong Hong	5	c Jones	Brit. str.	862	May 15	Yuen Fat Hong		
Marie	5	c Hohlmann	Ger. str.	704	May 13	A. R. Marty		
Monsieur	5	c Nelson	Brit. str.	1300	May 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Pha Chom Kiao	5	c Fowler	Brit. str.	1012	May 12	Yuen Fat Hong		
Phu Quoc	5	c Espeisse	French str.	234	May 9	Chinese		
Pilot Fish	5	c Stopani	Brit. tug.	161	Sept. 27	H. K. & W. Dock Co.		
Sailing Vessels.								
Allie Howe	5	c Phillips	Haw. lg.	June 9	Wielers & Co.			
Anna Wichhorst	5	c Bruckworth	Dan. sch.	785	May 15	Wielers & Co.		
Antoinette	5	c Dunje	Brit. bgo.	884	April 30	Order		
Centennial	5	c Beare	Amer. sh.	1222	Jan. 27	Carlowitz & Co.		
Esport	5	c Waterhouse	Amer. bgo.	687	May 15	Gonsalves & Co.		
P. H. Drews	5	c Rothbart	Ger. bgo.	624	April 16	Melchers & Co.		
Haydn Brown	5	c Havener	Amer. sh.	822	April 25	Butterfield & Swire		
H. Prinsenberg	5	c Albrecht	Ger. bgo.	550	April 17	Melchers & Co.		
Iris	5	c Swan	Brit. bgo.	206	April 26	Stimson & Co.		
Loong Wah	5	c Lord	Brit. bgo.	373	April 18	Edward Schellhaus & Co.		
Louise	5	c Kohne	Ger. bgo.	653	May 1	Gonsalves & Co.		
Mount Lebanon	5	c Nelson	Amer. bgo.	530	April 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Pactolus	5	c Burnham	Amer. sh.	1145	April 20	Poussat & Co.		
Kulby	5	c Robbins	Brit. sh.	1392	May 11	Messageries Maritimes		
Sea Swallow	5	c Malone	Amer. sh.	632	May 7	Gonsalves & Co.		
Titan	5	c Kelly	Amer. sh.	1270	Jan. 28	Poussat & Co.		
Velocity	5	c Martin	Brit. str.	491	May 3	Gonsalves & Co.		
Young Siam	5	c Klock	Siam. bgo.	750	April 26	Chinese		

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I. H. P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	4	3180	Com. R. Blair Macdonochie	Shanghai
Audacious*	twin-screw battle-ship	6010	10	4830	Capt. John B. Warren	Shanghai
Cochet	gunboat 2nd class	465	4	470	Lieut.-Com. Ed. B. Maxwell	Foodchow
Constance	cruiser 3rd class	2380	14	2590	Capt. L. C. Keppel	On a cruise
Cordelia	cruiser 3rd class	2380	10	2420	Captain Henry H. Boys	Shanghai
Cak	g.-br. 3rd class coast defence	363	3	340		In reserve
Cerberus	gunboat 2nd class	465	4	470	Lieut.-Com. Reginald Y. Smith	Hongkong
Flamboyant	gunboat 2nd class	455	4	460	Lieut.-Com. Denison	Manila
Heroine	cruiser 3rd class	130	10	1120	Captain Chas. J. Ballour	Shanghai
Zealand	cruiser 2nd class	4300	10	5500	Captain M. J. Dunlop	Yokohama
Mauret	gun-vease 2nd class	766	6	1050	Commander W. Marrack	Hongkong
Orion	gunboat 2nd class	430	4	430	Lieut.-Com. W. M. Martin	Hongkong
Urania	sloop	1130	10	1120	Commander J. H. Martin	Shanghai
Chambler	battle ship 3 class armoured	4870	4	4040	Captain T. H. Royle	Yokohama
Attiler	surveying vessel	830	6	690	Captain E. W. Moore	On a cruise
Alphre	gunboat 1st class	716	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. W. Mait. Dougall	Singapore
Heliole	cruiser 3rd class	1970	15	2350	Captain W. C. Karslake	Shanghai
Alouet	cruiser 3rd class	1420	8	1400	Captain T. P. W. Nesham	Hongkong
Alouet	torpedo mining launch	150	0	—		Hongkong
Alouet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	6	1010	Com. Hon. Richard Bingham	Swatow
Alouet	roving ship	6187	14	750	Commander Maxwell, A.D.C.	Hongkong
Alouet	sloop	825	4	750	Commander Geo. Giffard	On a cruise
Alouet	coast defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1450		Hongkong